

17 July 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Inspector General  
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FROM : [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT : Attached Memorandum from AD/OBI, Dated 11 July 1958

1. With reference to Paragraph 2 of the attached memorandum, all figures used in the OBI Survey were checked and re-checked before putting them in the final report. The last check was made with the AD/OBI and his Deputy in considerable detail in their office.

2. With reference to Paragraph 3 of the attached memorandum, it was my impression that we were told by the OBI editors and the printers that the printers' proofs of NIS material were sent abroad by the contributing editors for checking. Perhaps it was meant, as this memorandum states, that the data used in these printers' proofs ~~were~~<sup>is</sup> sent abroad for checking. At any rate, the printers have figures on the substantial delay between the time the printers' proofs are submitted to OBI and returned back to the printers for final processing. Also the printers have records of the large number of changes often required after these proofs are returned.

3. OBI basically looks to the Office of Logistics, DD/S, to whom the printer is responsible, to carry out the printing of the NIS. While OBI has direct contact with the printer on mechanical matters, this inserts a "middle man" into the printing procedure; and I still feel that at least an effort should be made by the NIS Committee, with the printers present at a meeting, to discuss these problems, and a report <sup>made</sup> on it with the printers' comments included. Then any basic problems could be referred to the Office of Logistics, DD/S, for final solution.

4. With reference to Paragraph 5 of the attached memorandum, again I feel, as apparently you do, that an effort should be made to simplify the NIS wherever feasible. In this connection, my suggested memorandum for the DD/S, of 20 June 1958, submitted to you, on the subject of a CIA "Printing Officer," should apply.

5. The printers now report to me that they are 200 NIS sections behind in their work, as against a normal back log of 100 sections. They also say that they understand that next year they will be required to produce 625 NIS sections as against the previous requirement of about 500 sections. Therefore the printers feel that they will go behind further than ever under present conditions.